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SUBJECT: JA-01: FALL ECONOMIC MPP

1. POST PLANNING A MAJOR PACKAGED PROGRAM IN NOVEMBER TO TREAT THE SUBJECT OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG THE INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES AND THEIR RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING NATIONS. REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE OF CU AND ICS IN IDENTIFYING AND OBTAINING THREE ASPS OF SUFFICIENT PROMINENCE AND EXPERTISE TO HANDLE THE THEMES AS OUTLINED LATER IN THIS MESSAGE. WE ALSO REQUEST YOUR ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING SUPPORT MATERIAL FOR THIS EFFORT.

2. FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY DESIGN:

WORKING TITLE: ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG THE INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES.

OBJECTIVE: TO SUPPORT THE THESIS OF A NEED FOR INCREASED COOPERATION AMONG THE INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES IN MEETING INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS INCLUDING THOSE UNDER THE HEADING OF "NORTH-SOUTH".

WITH REGARD TO U.S.-JAPAN RELATIONS WITHIN THIS OVERALL SUBJECT, TO INCREASE THE DIALOGUE ON SPECIFIC ECONOMIC SUBJECTS WITH THE AIM OF DEVELOPING GREATER UNITY OF APPROACH IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY.

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THEMES/AREAS OF DISCUSSION:

A. STATUS AND FUTURE OF THE DEVELOPING STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION, PARTICULARLY AMONG INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES, BUT INCLUDING THE STRUCTURES FOR DIALOGUE WITH DEVELOPING NATIONS.

B. POLICIES WITH REGARD TO COMMODITIES.

C. POLICIES WITH REGARD TO INTERNATIONAL MONETARY MATTERS.

SPEAKERS:

THREE PERSONS TO INCLUDE ONE USG. THE USG REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD BE OF SUFFICIENT PRESTIGE AND KNOWLEDGE ON THEME A TO MAKE THE MAJOR US PRESENTATION ON THIS SUBJECT AS WELL AS BEING ABLE TO COMMENT ON THEMES B & C. THE OTHER TWO US SPEAKERS SHOULD COME FROM EITHER ACADEMIC, RESEARCH INSTITUTION OR SENIOR STAFF LEVEL OF CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE (ECONOMIC).

NAMES DEVELOPED AFTER DISCUSSIONS WITHIN EMBASSY, WITH JAPANESE EXPERTS AND RECENT US ECONOMISTS WHO HAVE VISITED JAPAN ARE AS FOLLOWS:

USG: US AMBASSADOR TO THE OECD TURNER DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES AND FOOD POLICY, JULIUS L. KATZ

NON-USG: C. FRED BERGSTEN, BROOKINGS HENDRIK HOUTHAKKER, HARVARD RICHARD CAVES, HARVARD EDWARD FRIED, BROOKINGS FRED SANDERSON, BOOKINGS LAWRENCE KLEIN, PENNSYLVANIA, JOHN E. TILTON,

PENN. STATE GEORGE SHULTZ

WE WILL BE EXPLORING OTHER NAMES THIS MONTH WITH ECONOMISTS LAWRENCE KRAUSE UND ROBERT BALDWIN AND WILL RELAY FURTHER SUGGESTIONS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INFORMING US OF ANY OTHER SUGGESTIONS YOU ARE ABLE TO DEVELOP SOONEST. WOULD LIKE TO LOCK IN SPEAKERS BEFORE SUMMER DOLDRUMS.

DATES: NOVEMBER 12 - DECEMBER 4, 1976

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FORMAT: ONE NATIONAL SEMINAR OR TWO REGIONAL SEMINARS. IN ADDITION PROGRAMS IN ALL MAJOR CITIES WITH FORMAT RANGING FROM LECTURE/DISCUSSION TO SYMPOSIA.

AUDIENCE: GOVERNMENT/POLITICAL, MEDIA, ACADEMIC, BUSINESS, LABOR AND SELECTED GRADUATE STUDENT.

3. AMBASSADOR HODGSON HAS EXPRESSED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST
IN THIS PROJECT AND HAS OFFERED TO ASSIST IN RECRUITING
SPEAKERS IF YOU WISH HIM TO DO SO.
HODGSON

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